



PATENT CASE IN01155K

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<b>In re Application of:</b>	:	
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<b>Serial No.:</b> 09/836,636	:	
<b>Filed:</b> April 17, 2001	:	Group Art Unit: 1653
<b>For:</b> Macrocyclic NS3-Serine	:	
Protease Inhibitors of Hepatitis	:	Atty. Docket No.: IN01155K
C Virus Comprising Alkyl and	:	
Aryl Alanine P2 Moieties	:	

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**SECOND AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Official Action dated July 23, 2003, on the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following Amendment.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 19 of this paper.